

STATE DETENTION FARM WOULD SAVE MEN AND MONEY

Sheriff Tracy Makes Assertion before Appropriations Committee, Favoring Bill for Reform in Punishments.

BRUTALITY VS. HUMANITY

Urges Doctrine of Good Food, Clean Bed and Kind Words—Would Provide Open Air and Hard Work for the Habitual Drunkards.

Montpelier, Feb. 15.—"First to save men, second to save money," was the idea of Sheriff P. H. Tracy of Montpelier in his testimony before the appropriations committee to-night. Ex-Gov. Eugene N. Foss of Massachusetts was heard from by telegram; he regretted that he could not be present as he had expected and stated in his message that a detention farm was a good investment socially and economically. The need of reformatory rather than penal treatment for men who have become so unfortunate as to have an uncontrollable desire for drink was advocated at the hearing.

Sheriff Tracy's doctrine of good food, a clean bed, and, above all, a kind word for the unfortunate committed to jail was enunciated to the committee. He noted the change from the brutal to humane methods and prophesied even greater progress in the future.

HARD WORK FOR DRUNKARDS.
A State detention farm, he said, would provide open air and hard work for habitual drunkards and other criminals for whom such treatment was deemed advisable. Many of the county jails are so located that they can not put their inmates at work steadily. A man under the present system does not get correct influences and he lives in such ease in the jail that this is a popular feature for tramps who wish to be provided for during the ravages of winter.

Judge E. M. Harvey of Montpelier and State's Attorney F. E. Gleason of Montpelier also advocated the bill. The latter said that the farm would eventually be run at a profit and had everywhere been of tremendous value.

400 OR 500 DRUNKARDS.
Judge Harvey said that present reports showed about 400 men eligible for such a farm and estimated that between 400 and 500 men in the State were so addicted to drink that some mild form of restraint was necessary.

The bill contemplates a farm reformatory as in other States where prisoners could be put to farm work and thus become largely self-supporting. Most of the unfavorable comment on the bill has come from the appropriation feature which amounts to \$20,000 for the farm and \$15,000 annually.

The comments of the legislators at the hearing were mostly on the expense; some of them could not get away from the fear that the men could not be kept busy on the farm in winter. One member didn't favor attractive penal institutions. There was very little intelligent criticism directed against the bill.

SESSION UNEVENTFUL.
The House opened the work of the week in an afternoon session which was colorless, except for a slight effort to block the bill fixing the pay of the clerks and a little discussion on the barber shop bill.

The barber shop bill providing for proper sanitation and sterilization in barber shops caused the House with amendments which make it more inclusive. A bill, H. 321, changing the amounts of liquor license fees and removing the element of flexibility, was killed by the House.

Milk syrup will have a standard of weight not less than eleven pounds to the gallon. H. 149, which passed the House to-day receives the approval of Senate and Governor. This is desired by the maple syrup makers and dealers, and its lack has been felt.

The milk inspection bill, H. 253, was the subject of a hearing before the general committee. Dr. C. F. Dalton of Burlington and Dr. H. D. Holton of Brattleboro, members of the State board of health, appeared and did not favor the bill. It made the sending of all milk samples by the local health officers to the State laboratory an optional instead of a compulsory proceeding.

Taxation conferences are now in course in all the county delegations. The special committee on taxation is getting the opinion of the various counties before finally presenting the bill. It is understood that the bill in its present form is not drafted so that the other fellow is the only one who pays the taxes, so to speak, and will leave the decision in such matters entirely with the towns.

SENATE SUMMARY.
A summary of work in the Senate today shows 115 bills and resolutions disposed of in 42 days. This indicates slightly higher efficiency than in the last two sessions, in point of numbers.

In the 1912 session there were 73 disposed of at the end of 37 days and 127 at the end of 46 days.

In the 1913 session there were 71 disposed of in 37 days and 107 in 47 days.

Finance	3	2
Game and fisheries	1	1
General	3	2
Grand list	2	2
Highways and bridges	2	1
House of correction	1	1
Insane	1	1
Immigration and labor	1	1
Judiciary	8	5
Military affairs	1	1
Municipal corporations	1	1
Public health	1	1
Railroads	1	1
State and court expenses	2	2
Street railways	1	1
Temperance	2	1
Special	1	1
Total in committee	43	31
Third reading ordered	4	2
Ordered to lie	1	1
Recalled	1	1
In house for concurrence	20	20
Passed in concurrence	1	1
With proposals of amendment	1	1
Total to be acted upon	35	4
Passed in concurrence	5	5
In hands of Governor	5	5
Approved by Governor	11	24
Killed	8	5
Total disposed of	24	41
Plus joint resolutions	27	22
Grand total disposed of	115	115

OFFICIAL RECORD.

HOUSE—AFTERNOON.

Devotional exercises were conducted by the chaplain.

Mr. Farnham of Montpelier gave notice that to-morrow he would call up H. 121, relating to the heating of cars by electricity.

Mr. McNary of Windsor gave notice that to-morrow he would call up S. 53, amending an act relating to qualification of voters in town meetings.

BILLS INTRODUCED.
H. 350, by Mr. Mayo of Northfield, an act to amend section 523 of the public statutes, as amended by No. 44 of the acts of 1910, relating to real estate transfers and mortgages. To committee on grand list.

H. 371, by Mr. Mayo of Northfield, an act to amend No. 44 of the acts of 1912, relating to State taxes, based on illegal assessments. To committee on grand list.

H. 372, by Mr. Mayo of Northfield, an act to amend section 524 of the public statutes, as amended by section 20 of No. 38 of the acts of 1910, relating to the transmission by town clerks, to the secretary of state, of the abstract of the grand list.

H. 373, by Mr. Norton of Huntington, an act to amend section 524 of the public statutes, as amended by section 20 of No. 38 of the acts of 1910, relating to the transmission by town clerks, to the secretary of state, of the abstract of the grand list.

H. 374, by Mr. Graham of Rockingham, an act to amend section 7 of No. 38 of the acts of 1910, conferring additional powers relating to general taxation upon the commissioner of State taxes, and changing his official designation to "Commissioner of Taxes." To committee on grand list.

H. 375, by Mr. Jones of Warren, an act to amend section 523 of the public statutes, relating to the accepting of an incorrect inventory. To committee on grand list.

H. 376, by Mr. Mayo of Northfield, an act to amend section 437 of the public statutes relating to the change of name of a corporation. To committee on corporations.

READ THIRD TIME AND PASSED.
S. 27, an act to provide a seal for the commissioner of taxes.

H. 156, an act providing for notice to savings banks and savings institutions of appointments of executors and administrators upon estates of deceased non-residents.

H. 244, an act to amend Section 6181 of the public statutes, relating to the pay of the clerk and assistant clerks of the House of Representatives.

H. 245, an act to amend Section 6180 of the public statutes as amended by No. 230 of the acts of 1910, relating to the pay of the secretary and assistant secretary of the Senate.

H. 307, an act to allow Post No. 10, G. A. R. of Cambridge to appropriate land on which to erect a monument or memorial tablet.

KILLED.
H. 321, an act to amend Section 5129 of the public statutes, as amended by section 123 of the acts of 1908, and by section 1 of No. 179 of the acts of 1910, relating to the traffic in intoxicating liquors.

READ THIRD TIME AND PASSED.
H. 323, an act to amend Section 2409 of the public statutes, relating to wagering and gambling.

H. 341, an act to amend Section 2290 of the public statutes, relating to the giving of bonds in probate courts by trustees appointed by will.

Business Men

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Burlington, Vt.

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THIRD READING ORDERED.
H. 177, relating to elections of representatives to congress.

Adjourned at 7:44 upon motion of Senator Seaver.

VERMONT NOTES.
Boy Now Admits He Lied about Being Robbed of \$100.

Andrew Freeman, the boy who last week entered the Rutland police station and complained that he had been robbed of \$100 on Strong's avenue, was grilled by Police Officer P. H. Conlin Sunday through a Russian interpreter and finally admitted that his story of the robbery was a pure fabrication. The boy now says that he had but seven cents when he reached Rutland last Thursday afternoon. He may be held for trial as a tramp. The boy says he was born in Riga, Russia, that he came to America a year and eight months ago, working since on a farm in Medford, Wis. He came East with another Russian a few weeks ago, the other man intending to take service in the armies of the czar. While in New York a party of supposed friends took his money from him, and almost penniless he invested his last dollar in a ticket for Rutland. He supposed he had a friend in Rutland and falling to find this man decided that the easiest way to get a lodging and food for a few days was by telling his story of the hold-up. This scheme might also result in his getting his fare back to Chicago, he believed. Freeman is not quiet 19 years old.

ORDINATION AT NORTHFIELD.

The ordination of Clinton Lee Scott to the ministry of the Universalist Church at Northfield took place Wednesday evening. The assisting clergymen were The Rev. Lee S. McClellan, D. D., dean of Crane Theological school, Tufts College; the Rev. John B. Reardon, B. D., of Barre; the Rev. George F. Porter, B. D., State superintendent of St. Albans; the Rev. Frederick A. Wilmet, B. D., of West Somerville, Mass.; the Rev. Vernon E. Blagbrough, B. D., of Bellows Falls.

QUARANTINE ON CATTLE EXTENDED; STATE EDUCATION Supt. STONE OF VERMONT FAVORED

Washington, Feb. 16.—Foot and mouth disease quarantine regulations were extended by the department of agriculture to-day so as to include all the territory east of the Mississippi and north of Tennessee in a restricted area out of which no shipments of livestock except for slaughter within forty-eight hours will be permitted to the south or west.

All of the great slaughter centers are located in the restricted territory and there is little shipping of livestock out of it, but the new order was deemed necessary to protect the stock producing sections from infection.

Two important new regulations were added to-day, one defining "immediate slaughter" as used in existing orders as "within forty-eight hours" and another prohibiting transportation of livestock in any part of the United States after February 17 except in disinfected cars. Owing to the fact that few or no cases of foot and mouth disease have been found in Virginia, West Virginia, Vermont, Maine and the District of Columbia, stock owners in these jurisdictions will be permitted under the revised regulations to ship out stock upon affidavit that it has been on their farms for a certain length of time and has not been exposed to any risk of contagion.

A statement issued to-night by the department said:

"The recent discovery of a few cases where cattle, shipped from areas where the disease had been found, had been previously uninfected sections, such as four counties in Kansas, convinced the department that no precautions will make such shipments absolutely safe. The new measure, it is said, should confine the disease to the regions in which it has already made its appearance and in which the work of eradicating it will be pushed as before."

"In this restricted territory livestock may be moved freely to other points within the same territory, but cannot pass beyond the limits of the quarantined area, except for immediate slaughter. The regulations governing the areas known respectively as closed, exposed, and modified remain practically the same as before."

Bankruptcy Petitions.

Rutland, Feb. 15.—Earl H. Perry of Westford, a general merchant, to-day filed a petition in bankruptcy with Clark P. Platt of the United States court. His liabilities are given as \$2,358.45 and his assets as \$472.48, with \$239 claimed exempt. Claude D. Gratton is his attorney.

George L. Gilbert, tailor, of this city, through Butties & Botsford of Rutland as counsel, has also filed a schedule. He owes \$2,247.35 and has assets of \$1,768.73, claiming that \$187.30 is exempt. His larger creditor is the Columbia Tailoring company, whose claim is \$7,554.22.

BENEVOLENT.

Some nations were fighting fiercely. "Why are you fighting so?" inquired the bystanders, moved at length to curiosity.

"To save civilization," replied the nations severally.

Here a dragged figure rose from the mire under the feet of the combatants and limped lamely away.

"And who are you?" asked the bystanders, with a disposition to get to the bottom of the matter.

Prof. K. R. Flint of Norwich University was parish representative. The devotional service was in charge of the Rev. James B. Sargent, pastor of the Congregational Church, and the Rev. John R. Gates, pastor of the Methodist Church. Mr. Scott received his early education at Derby Academy, was graduated from Goddard Seminary, Barre, and received his theological training at Tufts College.

FAIR HAVEN'S \$2,500 FIRE.
Fire which originated from a stove caused an estimated damage of \$2,500 to the Laramie meat market in the Gardner building at Fair Haven the other day.

APPROVE COUNTY AGENT.
First steps have been taken toward the organization of the Washington farmers for the ultimate purpose of employing a county adviser or agent. Governor Gates addressed the gathering of 500. The masters of the 14 granges in the county are to form an executive committee until the final organization is completed.

POSTMASTER AT NORTH TROY.
Henry H. Parkhurst, Jr.'s appointment as postmaster at North Troy has been sent to the United States Senate.

RUTLAND ROAD'S REVENUE.
The operating revenue of the Rutland railroad for December was \$33,802.42 and the operating expenses \$30,261.58, with a net income of \$3,540.84.

TRAIN HITS WOMAN.

Mrs. Merrill L. Hodgkins, 65 years old, was struck by a freight train on the St. Johnsbury & Lake Champlain railroad crossing near her home at St. Johnsbury late Saturday afternoon and seriously injured. She was thrown 20 feet, her left arm and leg were broken and her side badly bruised. It is said that trainmen saw the woman, that the engineer sounded the whistle and that a spectator screamed a warning, but that Mrs. Hodgkins appeared dazed and walked in front of the train.

Montpelier, Feb. 14.—Mason S. Stone, State superintendent of education, has resigned his position to take effect August 1, 1915, and the State board of education has accepted the resignation. It was announced here to-day.

Mr. Stone addressed the following letter to Frank H. Brooks, St. Johnsbury, Vt., president of the State board of education under date of February 8:

"My Dear Sir:
On August 1, 1915, I shall have completed 18 years of service as superintendent of education for the State of Vermont and desirous of being relieved of the duties of the office, I hereby submit to you my resignation to take effect on that date.

In resigning, I wish to state that it will always be my pleasure to maintain an active interest in Vermont and as previously be ready at all times to assist in the solution of its problems and in the advancement of its welfare.

"In connection herewith, I desire to express my appreciation of the courtesy and cordiality manifested by members of the board, and to assure the union superintendents, the teachers and others who have contributed to the pleasure and success of the educational work of the State that I shall hold in lasting remembrance and gratitude their strong encouragement and loyal support during my years of service.

"Very sincerely,
(Signed) MASON S. STONE.
"Superintendent of Education."

The acceptance of Mr. Stone's resignation was unanimously voted at a meeting of the board in this city Wednesday. It was stated.

It will be recalled that the Legislature of 1912 passed the appointment of the State superintendent of education in the hands of the board of education, but continued Mr. Stone in office until December 1, 1914.

On December 1 the State board was lacking a full quota of members and the commissions of other members expired December 23. Under these circumstances it was thought wise by the board to leave the appointment until a full board could act. This will be seen Mr. Stone was serving by virtue of tenure of office, and his resignation came as a great surprise not only to the board but to the people of the State.

A representative of the press drew from an interview with members of the State board, that the board may be willing in the event the present educational bill of the special commission does not pass to recommend certain changes in the present school laws which to them seem imperative to the proper development of the educational system and the equalization of educational opportunities and advantages in the State.

It is also indicated by members of the board that in the selection of a successor to Mr. Stone the board will use every precaution to place in the Vermont educational field a man unhampered by local prejudices and factional attachments, which has unfortunately crept into the State and quite generally alienated educators for or against various men, measures and educational policies.

CHANGE SIGNALS.

"Now, Silas," said the speaker, "I want you to be present when I deliver this 'Yasuhuh.'"

"I want you to start the laughter and applause. Every time I take a drink of water, you applaud, and every time I wipe my forehead with my handkerchief, you laugh."

SHORT SESSION OF THE HOUSE ON SATURDAY

Five Bills Passed, Six Introduced and Seven Ordered to a Third Reading—Tax Measure Proposed.

Montpelier, Feb. 14.—The day's work of Saturday in the Legislature was uneventful, but much of the session was devoted to and much was done toward the advancement of and closing of the session.

Resolutions were adopted to allow the State librarians to attend the meetings of the American Library association for 1915 and 1916, and granting the use of the Senate chamber on the evening of February 22, for a reunion of the class of 1912.

Two principal ones being one by Mr. Smith of Barre city, on the vexatious taxation problem, and the other providing for the registration and control of hunting and fishing guides, who are to be under the direction of the State fish and game commissioner. Five bills were passed, seven were ordered to a third reading and a number of Senate proposals of amendment concurred in.

The summary dismissal of two proposed acts resulted from the motions of Mr. Stone of Woodford, who suggested this, on H. 11, relating to the removal of brush on lands adjoining the surveyed boundaries of a railroad. (As amended.) Favored by Mr. Putnam of Middlesex; opposed by Mr. Jones of Shrewsbury. Mr. Soule of Albion, Mr. Wilson of Shelburne, Mr. Morse of Hardwick, favored by Mr. Foster of Calais. On motion of Mr. Stone of Woodford the bill was dismissed.

OFFICIAL RECORD.

HOUSE—MORNING.

Devotional exercises were conducted by the chaplain.

JOINT RESOLUTION.
Providing that the State Librarian or the assistant State Librarian is empowered to attend the annual meetings of the American Library association for the years 1915 and 1916, and necessary expenses allowed. To committee on State and court expenses.

Granting the use of the Senate chamber for Monday evening, February 22, 1915, for a reunion of the Senate of 1912. Adopted in concurrence.

BILLS INTRODUCED.

H. 34, by Mr. Morse of Hardwick (by request), an act to amend No. 247 of the acts of 1906, incorporating the Hardwick Cemetery association. To committee on corporations.

H. 255, by Mr. Morse of Hardwick (by request), an act to enlarge the powers of the first district No. 1 in Hardwick. To committee on municipal corporations.

H. 356, by Mr. Foote of Cornwall, an act to amend sections 2, 3 and 10 of No. 353 of the acts of 1912, establishing a municipal court within and for the county of Addison, and to repeal sections 30 and 31 of said act. (Governor to appoint a judge during the last 25 days of January in each biennial year, to serve from February 1, for and during the period of two years.) To committee on minor courts.

H. 367, by Mr. Smith of Barre city, an act relating to deductions to a taxpayer from the appraised valuation of his personal estate for debts owing, and repealing section 2 of No. 27 of the acts of 1912, relating to deductions from taxation and abolishing deductions for debts owing. (No deduction for debts owing shall be allowed unless the amount of such debt is stated in the inventory with the name and residence of the creditor, nor unless the inventory contains statements of the aggregate amount of "United States bonds and other stocks and bonds exempt by law, and the aggregate amount of all deposits not exceeding two thousand dollars in any one institution, and deposits in national banks earning interest exceeding two per cent.) To committee on grand list.

H. 368, from the committee on claims, to pay the town of Morstan the sum therein named. Ordered to lie and be printed.

H. 369, from the committee on game and fisheries, an act relating to registration of guides with commissioner, that official may reject any he deems unfit. For one dollar. Ordered to lie and be printed.

ORDERED TO LIE.

H. 52, amending an act relating to the qualification of voters in town meeting. (On motion of Mr. Stone of Vergennes, ordered to lie.)

PASSED IN CONCURRENCE.

H. 35, an act to provide for the issuance of licenses to non-residents.

READ THIRD TIME AND PASSED.

H. 225, amending an act relating to appeals from the probate court in the matter of the support of insane persons.

H. 230, amending an act relating to the charter of St. Albans.

H. 240, amending an act relating to election or appointment of town road commissioner and other town officers.

H. 287, amending an act relating to the charter of the city and town of St. Albans.

ORDERED TO LIE.

H. 35, an act to provide for indemnifying a holder of a worthless check or order. (Opposed by Mr. Morse of Ludlow and Mr. Hapgood of Peru, and on motion of Mr. Morse of Hardwick ordered to lie and be made a special order for 3:30 o'clock Tuesday afternoon.

THIRD READING ORDERED.

H. 57, an act to provide for a seal for the commissioner of taxes.

BILL DISMISSED.
H. 11, an act relating to the removal of brush on lands adjoining the surveyed boundaries of a railroad. (As amended.) Favored by Mr. Putnam of Middlesex; opposed by Mr. Jones of Shrewsbury. Mr. Soule of Albion, Mr. Wilson of Shelburne, Mr. Morse of Hardwick, favored by Mr. Foster of Calais. On motion of Mr. Stone of Woodford the bill was dismissed.

SEE THE GROWTH OF THE Burlington Savings Bank AND WHAT IT MEANS TO THE STATE.

DEPOSITS	INCORPORATED 1847	SURPLUS
\$710.12	January 1, 1850	\$5.84
23,760.25	January 1, 1860	214.57
248,799.55	January 1, 1870	9,812.99
1,187,099.55	January 1, 1880	43,234.43
2,121,597.13	January 1, 1890	170,288.51
7,000,561.09	January 1, 1900	320,435.37
15,256,775.80	January 1, 1915	1,128,905.01

Amount paid in taxes to State of Vermont, in 1850 was \$5.07.53
Amount paid in taxes to State of Vermont in 1860 was 13,578.03
Amount paid in taxes to State of Vermont in 1870 was 44,138.48
Amount paid in taxes to State of Vermont in 1880 was 87,612.45
Amount paid in taxes to State of Vermont in 1890 was 92,500.55
Amount paid in taxes to State of Vermont in 1900 was 98,106.28
Amount paid in taxes to State of Vermont in 1910 was 103,811.83
Amount paid in taxes to State of Vermont in 1914 was 106,062.90

Interest 4% Compound
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C. F. Smith, President. F. W. Ward, Treasurer.
F. W. Perry, Vice-President. E. S. Isham, Assistant Treasurer.

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The directors of The Burlington Trust Co. declared and paid an extra dividend (the second) to savings depositors on February 1st. The interest credited on that date was compounded at the rate of four and one-quarter per cent. per annum.

This is a repetition of what occurred February 1st, 1914. Deposits made on or before February 10th will draw interest from the first.

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